

City Council
Study Session Summary
January 24, 2017
Library Meeting Room, 951 Spruce Street
7:00 PM

The City Council met in a study session at 7:00 p.m. in the 1st Floor Meeting Room at the Louisville Public Library at 951 Spruce Street, Louisville, Colorado. The following persons were present:

City Council Present: Council member Chris Leh
 Council member Susan Loo
 Council member Dennis Maloney
 Council member Ashley Stolzmann

Staff Present: Malcolm Fleming, City Manager
 Heather Balser, Deputy City Manager
 Kurt Kowar, Public Works Director
 David Szabados, Facilities Maintenance Manager
 Dawn Burgess, Executive Assistant to the City
 Manager

Xcel Energy Craig Eicher, Tami Gunderzik, Conor Merrigan
 (Brendle Group)

Sustainability Advisory Board Mark Persichetti

Members of Public Deb Fahey, RJ Harrington, Bill Cordel

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council member Loo

Presentation – Partners in Energy

Facilities Maintenance Manager Dave Szabados reviewed what the group has done for the last 6 months. Xcel and Brendle Group have facilitated organizing, creating data, and the group was able to come up with some actionable items. Szabados said this project dovetails well into the Sustainability Action Plan. It helps us understand what are the quantitative effects of an energy savings plan.

Szabados introduced Craig Eicher. Xcel believes it is best when they have buy-in from partners/community. This program is vastly reducing carbon emissions.

Craig Eicher and Tami Gunderzik said Xcel wants to assist communities in creating and implementing energy action plans. They reviewed the presentation in the packet. Xcel believes this plan will better develop new resources to fit community needs, save energy and advance clean energy goals, strengthen relationships with the community.

Benefits to the City of Louisville:

- Energy action plan with no cost to community
- Community energy data to see baseline performance and assist in tracking implementation success
- Economic development by leveraging utility programs to drive improvements and energy savings
- Engaging residents and businesses in common goal
- Tools and resources to develop and execute an energy action plan

Plan development included a detailed baseline, vision, focus areas, draft goals, divergent strategies, convergent strategies, goal refinement, action planning, plan finalization and launch.

The Vision: The City of Louisville, in collaboration with residents and businesses encourages energy efficiency and renewable energy, leveraging resources and benefitting our economic vitality, environmental health and community well-being.

The goals:

- 1% annual total energy use reduction
- Savings goals per focus area strategy

As plan moves forward, Szabados would like to do an energy audit of police station and look at energy improvements to implement during Rec Center expansion.

Members of public would like to see specific goals for reducing greenhouse gases.

Council and Xcel representatives discussed commercial vs. residential energy usage. Future initiatives were discussed. Additional resources may be necessary and that would be discussion for staff and Council.

Council members were supportive of the project and thanked Facilities Manager Szabados and Xcel representatives Eicher, Merrigan and Gunderzik for their work.

City Manager's Report & Advanced Agenda

City Manager Fleming reviewed the Advanced Agenda.

- Council member Leh would like to have the McCaslin Small Area Plan item on early on agenda for 2/7
- Sequence of parking items was discussed. Put them together and discuss in 2nd quarter
- City Manager Fleming will provide a description of items on the advanced agenda

Identification of Future Agenda Items

Changes in the bond market necessitate emergency ordinance on February 7th
Include Gallagher implications

Adjourn 8:57 pm

*Submitted by – Dawn Burgess
January 25, 2017*